

Close Reading

Points of Interest

Punctuation

- Full Stop
- Ellipsis
- Apostrophe
- Speech marks/Inverted commas
- Exclamation Mark
- Question Marks
- Colon
- Brackets
- Dash
- Comma
- Semi-colon
- Hyphen

Patterns in sentences

- Listing
- Climax
- Repetition
- Inversion – Word order

Imagery(visual) techniques

- Simile
- Metaphor
- Personification

Sound techniques

- Alliteration
- Onomatopoeia
- Assonance
- Pun

Linkage

- However...
 - Therefore...
 - On the other hand...
 - But...
 - As well as this...
 - Alternatively...
- Can you think of others?

Others

- Contrasts – Paradox/oxymoron
- Short/simple sentences
- Long/complex sentences
- Single-sentence paragraphs
- Words written in CAPITALS
- Changes in the 'usual' order of a sentence – Subject-Verb-Object
- A change in narrative/tone
- Word choice
- *Italics*

Types of question

- Quote/write down a word/phrase/expression/refer to the passage
- Processing information from the passage and putting it into your own words
- Commenting on the use/effect of linkage
- Inferring something from 'clues' given in the passage
- Sentence Structure
- Evaluation – your view about the effectiveness of the passage/ideas etc.

Good Luck!